

No. 2557,

SHANGHAI,

4th August 1937.

Sir,

With reference to former correspondence, your file D.4841, 1935, regarding Szmul Mowsza DRINBERG, I have the honour to inform you that this person arrived at Singapore from Shanghai on board of the s.s. "Felix Roussel" on the 22nd June 1937. He intended to travel to the Netherlands Indies and was still in possession of the Polish passport Serie 1. No.414064 No.167/34, provided with a Netherlands visé for travelling to the Netherlands Indies by the Netherlands Consulate-General at Paris on July 17th, 1936. Brinberg was brought to the notice of the Netherlands Consulate at Singapore by the immigration authorities. On account of the warning issued by this Consulate-General at December 11th 1935, Brinberg's visé was cancelled.

Brinberg's family seems to be still residing at Shanghai and he himself returned to Shanghai on board of the s.s. "Yusukini Maru", leaving Singapore on the 9th July 1937.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Acting Consul-General.



Major K.M. Bourne,

Deputy Commissioner i/c Special Branch,
Shanghai Municipal Police,
SHANGHAI.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

C.S.6. Special Branch

REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.
CRIME REGISTRY.

No. E 163.

Station

Date 15-1-37.

Date June 15 1937

Subject BRIMBERG, S.M. --- Movements.

Made by and Forwarded by D.S. Medvedeff

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Samuel Moisha BRIMBERG, alias Bronberg, S., alias
Brinberg, S., Polish Jew, age 55, suspected dealer in Narcotics,
left Shanghai for Singapore on board of M/V "Felix Roussel".

N. Medvedeff
D. S.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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S. B. R.

P. A. to D. C. (Sp. Br.)

P.A. to D.C. (GR. 415)

CONSULAAT-GENERAAL DER NEDERLANDEN
VOOR MIDDEN-CHINA.

No. 3948.

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S. D. #841
SHANGHAI, 12 December 1935.

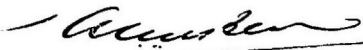
Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt
letter
of your No. D. 4841 dated the 10th instant
regarding S. M. Brinberg and to thank you
for the information contained therein.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


Chinese Secretary.

T. P. Givens, Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner, Special Branch,
Shanghai Municipal Police,

SHANGHAI.

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MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
S. B. D. 4841
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December 10 35.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge
receipt of your letter No. 3768 of November 22,
1935, and to forward herewith for your information
a copy of a Police report regarding one S.M. Brinberg.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. M.

Deputy Commissioner
(Special Branch)

J. Van den Berg, Esq.,

Netherlands Consulate-General,

Shanghai.

x Enclosed 10/12
D.B.D.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section 2, Special Branch.

REPORT

Date December 9, 1935.

MUNICIPAL POLICE
REG.
File No. H. 841
9-12-35
Station,

Subject Communication from the Netherlands Consulate General re
S. M. Brinberg alias Bronberg alias Brenberg.
Made by D.S. Fcheremshunsky Forwarded by J.B. Ross D.S.

With reference to the attached Communication, enquiries show that Szmul Mowsza Brinberg, Polish Jew, born on January 1, 1882 at Pinsk, first came to the notice of the Shanghai Municipal Police in February 1922, when information was received that he would arrive at Shanghai from Trieste with a cargo of opium. The informer was referred to the local Customs Authorities and it is not known what actually transpired in regard to this matter. In 1928 Brinberg's name was mentioned in the official correspondence from London on the subject of illicit drug traffic in the Far East. Brinberg was described as one of the associates of the notorious F.V. Shickman who frequently travels to Tientsin, Dairen and Shanghai, directing the movements of drugs from one point to another. On September 10, 1929 Brinberg was arrested in Tientsin, when the Police discovered a house in the British Concession containing an elaborate plant which was used for extracting heroin from floor polish in which form drugs were being shipped from France. In 1931 Brinberg was residing at Shanghai where he owned a "Steam Downcleaning Factory" at No. 225 Rue Cassini, French Concession.

On June 12, 1931 a letter was received from the Chief of Police at Tientsin stating that Brinberg and one J. Ifland, Russian Jew, owned the above factory. This information was conveyed to the French Police with the result that the French Police and the F.M.C. chemist visited the factory and examined the "down" and machinery. Nothing however was found to substantiate the suspicion that the factory was engaged in producing morphine from chemicals used in cleaning "down".

At present S. Brinberg resides at 146A, Route des Soeurs and is dealing in cushions and blankets.

D.C. (S.R.)

Fcheremshunsky
D. S.

CONFIDENTIEEL

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 4841
Date 22 Nov 1935

No. 3768.

SHANGHAI,

22 November 1935.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that Szmul Mowsza BRINBERG has applied to me for a visé for admission into the Netherlands Indies.

He is in possession of a Polish passport Ser. 1. No. 414064, No. 167/34, issued by the Polish Consulate at Shanghai on the 21st November 1934.

According to his passport he was born at Pinsk (Poland) on the 1st January 1882.

He states to be living at 146a Route des Soeurs and to have a business in cushions and blankets. He wants to stay for 3-4 months in Java and to take for \$ 10,000 goods with him.

Furthermore he intends to visit his niece Mrs. M. J. Mizrahi née Rikoff, who is at present residing in Soerabaya.

With regard to Miss Rikoff I beg to refer to your secret letter of the 27th November 1934, No. D. 6254 in which you mentioned that Brinberg was arrested for trafficking in narcotics by the Police of the British Concession, Tientsin, on the 10th September 1929.

I should be much obliged to you if you could let me know, if possible, whether Brinberg is still connected with the traffic in narcotics and whether anything is known against him from a political point of view.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Chinese Secretary.

T. P. Givens, Esquire,

Deputy Commissioner, Special Branch,
Shanghai Municipal Police,

SHANGHAI.

\$2, For attention
please. 25 NOV. 1935

D. S. Tcharenshanski,

D.S.B. 26/11.

My dear Barton,

with reference to your letter of May 4, I have to inform you that S. Brinberg, a Polish citizen who has applied for a visa to visit Hongkong, is identical with S.M. Brinberg alias Bronberg alias Brenberg, a suspected drug smuggler.

S.M. Brinberg and one J. Ifliand are reported to be the proprietors of the Down Cleaning Factory, No.225 Rue Cassini. Until recently Brinberg also kept a haberdashery shop at 765 Avenue Joffre (old number 515) under the style "J. Ifliand and S. Brinberg" which proved a failure.

Brinberg is at present residing at No.42 Avenue Victor Emmanuel III (Tel.70517).

Yours sincerely,

J.H.

J. Barton, Esq.,
British Consulate-General.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
FILE NO. REGISTRY

REPORT

SECTION 2 Station

Date May 9 1933

Subject (in full) Enquiry from British Consulate-General re S.Brinberg.

Made by D.S.Prokofiev

Forwarded by

DBR 21

With reference to the letter dated May 4, 1933 from H.B.M. Consulate-General on the subject of S.Brinberg, Polish citizen who applied for a visa to enable him to proceed to Hongkong, I have to state that according to our information this individual is identical with S.M.Brinberg alias Bronberg alias Brenberg, suspected drug smuggler.

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Until recently they kept a haberdashery shop at No 765 Avenue Joffre (old number 515) under the style " J.Ifliand and S.Brinberg". The business seems to have proved a failure.

S.M.Brinberg is at present residing at No 42 Avenue Victor Emmanuel III (Tel. 70517).

G. Prokofiev

D. S.

Officer i/c Special Branch.

Mr Yao, Please reply to Mr B. in above sense.

[Signature]

101 MUNICIPAL

B. REGIST.

4841

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL
P.O. BOX 259. SHANGHAI.

4841 No. 1000.

My dear Wivens,

Some months ago a certain S. SH. 7537 or 7538 of 515 Avenue Joffre was in the habit of being possibly concerned in the drug traffic between here and Tientsin. Recently a Pole named S. SH. 7537 applied here for a visa to visit Hongkong for the purpose of placing his son at school. I should be very much obliged if you could discover for me whether this S. SH. 7537 is the same as the S. SH. 7537 who is identical with the number of Avenue Joffre.

Yours sincerely,

Tanner

T. P. Wivens, Esq.,

Special Agent,

D. S. Rukopis. S. S. P.

DBR 7/5.

S2, For inquiry and
report please. *JH*

MAY 1935

Summary of activities of S.M. Brinberg
alias Bronberg Russian Jew

The above named first came to the notice of the Shanghai Municipal Police in February 1922, when information was received to the effect that he would arrive in Shanghai from Trieste with a cargo of opium. The informer was referred to the local Customs Authorities and it is not known what actually transpired in regard to this matter. (File I.O. 3078)

In 1928, Brinberg's name is mentioned in correspondence between the Foreign Office, London, and the local British Consul-General on the subject of illicit drug traffic in the Far East. The paragraph regarding him reads as follows:

"S.M. Brinberg is one of the many associates of the notorious F.V. Shickman; frequently travels to Tientsin, Dairen and Shanghai, directing the movements of drugs from one point to another; he travelled to Germany sometime last year (1927?) to make arrangements for the forwarding of drugs to the Far East". (File No. I.O. 9186/1)

On September 10, 1929, Brinberg was arrested in Tientsin, when the Police discovered a house in the British Concession containing an elaborate plant which was used for extracting heroin from floor polish in which form drugs were being shipped from France. The Tientsin Police did not notify the S.M. Police what sentence was imposed in this case, but in the "Elispoulos" file (C. & S.B. D. 4236) under the name of Brinberg it states: "He was arrested in 1930 as owner of a small factory of narcotics in the French Concession (Tientsin), was set free against a caution of Mex \$3,000, about £200 at that time." This apparently refers to the case against him in Tientsin in September 1929. (File No. D. 577)

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An extract from a report of the Narcotic Section dated December 22, 1932, (see file No. D.4236) is quoted hereunder:

S. Bronberg alias Semen Brinberg, short, stout, cast in left eye is now residing in Shanghai and has a haberdashery shop at 515 Avenue Joffre, French Concession. He is suspected to be concerned in the smuggling of narcotics from Tientsin with the aid of Mrs. Oder and a Mr. Diderich, both of Tientsin. One Ifliand (file D.577) is believed to be his partner.

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